

H.R. 3767. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make improvements to, and permanently authorize, the visa waiver pilot program under section 217 of such Act.

H.R. 3986. An act to provide for a study of the engineering feasibility of a water exchange in lieu of electrification of the Chandler Pumping Plant at Prosser Diversion Dam, Washington.

H.R. 3995. An act to establish procedures governing the responsibilities of court-appointed receivers who administer departments, offices, and agencies of the District of Columbia government.

H.R. 4002. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to revise and improve provisions relating to famine prevention and freedom from hunger.

H.R. 4259. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Museum of the American Indian of the Smithsonian Institution, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4386. An act to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide medical assistance for certain women screened and found to have breast or cervical cancer under a federally funded screening program, to amend the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to surveillance and information concerning the relationship between cervical cancer and the human papillomavirus (HPV), and for other purposes.

H.R. 4389. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District.

H.R. 4681. An act to provide for the adjustment of status of certain Syrian nationals.

H.R. 4828. An act to designate the Steens Mountain Wilderness Area and the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area in Harney County, Oregon, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5107. An act to make certain corrections in copyright law.

H.R. 5417. An act to rename the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act as the "McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act."

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 4:55 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5308. An act to amend laws relating to the lands of the citizens of the Muscogee (Creek), Seminole, Cherokee, Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations, historically referred to as the Five Civilized Tribes, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-11156. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Tebuconazole; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #6749-5) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-11157. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Norflurazon; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #6748-2) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-11158. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Zinc Phosphide; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL #6748-1) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-11159. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Citrus Canker; payments for Commercial Citrus Tree Replacement" (Docket No. 00-037-1) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-11160. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "8(a) Business Development/Small Disadvantaged Business Status Determination; Rule of Procedure Governing Cases Before the Office of Hearings and Appeals" (RIN 3245-AE60) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-11161. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Luminescent Zinc Sulfide; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. 97C-0415) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11162. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Phaffia Yeast; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. 97C-0466) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11163. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Haematococcus Algae Meal; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. 98C-0212) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-11164. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Changes to Various VOC Regulations" (FRL #6886-5) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11165. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; Post-1996

Rate of Progress Plans" (FRL #6877-5) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11166. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Missouri; Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes, Dent Township" (FRL #6885-6) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11167. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Virginia; Approval of Removal of tSP Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL #6887-7) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11168. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Maryland; Nitrogen Oxides Budget Program" (FRL #6878-4) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11169. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Colorado and Utah; 1996 Periodic Carbon Monoxide Emission Inventories" (FRL #6889-2) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11170. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Water Heaters, Small Boilers, and Process Heaters; Agreed Orders; Major Stationary Sources of Nitrogen Oxides in the Beaumont/Port Arthur Ozone Nonattainment Area" (FRL #6886-1) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11171. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Determination of Critical Habitat for the San Diego Fairy Shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegoensis*)" (RIN1018-AF97) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11172. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Determination of Critical Habitat for the Coastal California Gnatcatcher" (RIN1018-AF32) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-11173. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund (NDF) activities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-11174. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the transmittal of the certification of

the proposed issuance of an export license to Algeria and Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-11175. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Increased Distributions to Owners of Certain HUD-Assisted Multifamily Rental Projects" (RIN2502-AH46) (FR-4532-F-01) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11176. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to exports to Algeria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11177. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to exports to Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11178. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Export Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effect of Imported Articles on the National Security" (RIN0694-AC07) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11179. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Export Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Encryption Items" (RIN0694-AC32) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11180. A communication from the Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the processing of continuing disability reviews (CDR) for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11181. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "July-September 2000 Bond Factor Amounts" (Revenue Ruling 2000-48) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11182. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Preparer Due Diligence Requirements for Determining Earned Income Credit Eligibility" (RIN1545-AW74, TD 8905) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11183. A communication from the Program Manager, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Labeling of Flavored Wine Products" (RIN1512-AB86) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11184. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Audit of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3B for the period October 1, 1997 through December 31, 1999"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11185. A communication from the Deputy Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"NARA Reproduction Fee Schedule" (RIN3095-AA87) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11186. A communication from the Executive Director of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the year 2000 commercial activities inventory; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-11187. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the B-1B Defensive System Upgrade Program (DSUP); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-11188. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the fiscal year 2000 commercial activities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-11189. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "25 CFR Part 20, Financial Assistance and Social Services Programs" (RIN1076-AD95) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-11190. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Gas Valuation Regulations for Indian Leases (MT and ND time limits)" (RIN1010-AC72) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-11191. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repeat Intoxicated Driver Laws" (RIN2127-AH47) received on October 13, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11192. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: General Electric Company CF6 Turbofan Engines; Docket no. 2000-NE-38 [10-2/10-16]" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0483) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11193. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (88); amdt. no. 2013; [10-5/10-16]" (RIN2120-AA65) (2000-0051) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11194. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (38); amdt. No. 2012; [10-5/10-16]" (RIN2120-AA65) (2000-0052) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11195. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Service Difficulty Reports; technical amendment; Docket No. 28293" (RIN2120-AF71) (2000-0002) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11196. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administra-

tion, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees for Air Traffic Services for Certain Flights Through U.S.-Controlled Airspace and for Aeronautical Studies; extension of comment period; interim final rule; docket no. FAA-00-7018; [10-6/10-16]" (RIN2120-AG17) (2000-0003) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11197. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Advanced Qualification Program; docket no. FAA-2000-7497 [10-10/10-16]" (RIN2120-AH01) (2000-0002) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11198. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commercial Air Tour Limitations in the GCNPSFRA; Modification of the Dimensions of the GCNPFRA and FFZNE; Disposition of a request for stay of compl. date; [10-11/10-16]" (RIN2120-ZZ30) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11199. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Strategic Booming Exercise in the Cape May Harbor, Cape May, NJ (CGD05-00-047)" (RIN2115-AA97) (2000-0086) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11200. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Thunderbird Air Show, Long Island Sound, Governor Alfred E. Smith/Sunken Meadow State Park, Kings Park, NY (CGD01-00-224)" (RIN2115-AA97) (2000-0087) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11201. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Anchorage Areas/Anchorage Grounds Regulations; Delaware Bay and River (CGD05-00-048)" (RIN2115-AA98) (2000-0007) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11202. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Milford Haven, Virginia (CGD05-00-042)" (RIN2115-AE47) (2000-0049) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11203. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Florida East Coast Railway Bridge, Across the Okeechobee Waterway, Mile 7.4, at Stuart, Martin County, FL (CGD07-00-097)" (RIN2115-AE47) (2000-0050) received on October 16, 2000; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11204. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; CSX Railroad Bridge (South Fork of the New River), Ft. Lauderdale, Broward County, FL (CGD07-00-092)" (RIN2115-AE47) (2000-0051) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11205. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allowing Alternative Source to Incandescent Light in Private Aids to Navigation (USCG-2000-7466)" (RIN2115-AF98) (2000-0001) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11206. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Traffic Separation Scheme; In the Approaches to Los Angeles-Long Beach, California (USCG-2000-7695)" (RIN2115-AF99) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11207. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments; Organizational Changes; Miscellaneous Editorial Changes and Conforming Amendments (USCG-2000-7790)" (RIN2115-ZZ02) (2000-0002) received on October 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11208. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appliance Labeling Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 305" (RIN3084-AA74) received on October 17, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-11209. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Application of New Standards or Technologies to Reduce Aircraft Noise Levels; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with amendments:

S. 2731: A bill to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to enhance the Nation's capacity to address public health threats and emergencies (Rept. No. 106-505).

By Mr. CAMPBELL, from the Committee on Indian Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 2917, a bill to settle the land claims of the Pueblo of Santo Domingo (Rept. No. 106-506).

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Marjory E. Searing, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 3212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3213. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an individual to designate \$3 or more on their income tax return to be used to reduce the public debt; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3214. A bill to amend the Assets for Independence Act (Title IV of the Community Opportunities, Accountability, and Training and Educational Services Act of 1998) to enhance program flexibility, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 3215. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize women's health research award programs conducted through the National Institutes of Health; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 3216. A bill to provide for review in the Court of International Trade of certain determinations of binational panels under the North American Free Trade Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MACK (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. 3217. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for individuals who are residents of the District of Columbia a maximum rate of tax of 15 percent on income from sources within the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 3218. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to exclude beverage alcohol compounds emitted from aging warehouses from the definition of volatile organic compounds; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BYRD, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. ROBB, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. CLELAND, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. REED, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BOND, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. KERRY, Mr. MILLER, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WELLSTONE, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 378. A resolution honoring the members of the crew of the guided missile destroyer U.S.S. *Cole* (DDG-67) who were killed or wounded in the terrorist bombing attack on that vessel in Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000, expressing the sympathies of the Senate to the families of those crew members, commending the ship's crew for their heroic damage control efforts, and condemning the bombing of that ship; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. ROBB, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. BOND, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. REED, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 379. A resolution memorializing the sailors of the Navy lost in the attack on the U.S.S. *Cole* (DDG-67) in the port of Aden, Yemen, on October 12, 2000; extending condolences to their families and other loved ones; extending sympathy to the members of the crew of that vessel who were injured in the attack and commending the entire crew for its performance and professionalism in saving the U.S.S. *Cole*; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 3212. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

UPPER CONNECTICUT RIVER PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 2000

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce the Upper Connecticut River Partnership Act of 2000. This legislation is a truly locally-led initiative. I believe it will result in great environmental benefits for the Connecticut River.

The Connecticut River forms the border to New Hampshire and Vermont and provides for a great deal of recreational and tourism opportunities for residents of both States. This legislation takes a major step forward in making sure this River continues to thrive as a treasured resource.

To understand just how significant this legislation is, I would like to share with my colleagues some history about the Connecticut River program. In 1987-88, New Hampshire and Vermont each created a commission to address